

laticollis Wagner under the name of *Aethus pilosulus* Klug (vide Wagner 1954, pp. 2-3).

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24. *DATURA SUAVEOLENS* H.B. EX WILLD.
(SOLANACEAE)—FROM DISTRICT CHAMOLI IN
WESTERN HIMALAYAS

Datura suaveolens H.B. ex. Willd. Enum. Hort. Berol. 227.

An indigenous species of Mexico introduced in India as an ornamental plant. Raizada (1931) recorded it, growing in shady places in perfectly naturalized conditions, from Dehradun of upper Gangetic plain. In 1936 Raizada further gave its account.

During a floristic field study of Karanprayag block in Chamoli district I collected this species, from village Jakh, Tallachandpur, near Manda Khali on 24.vi.72. *Nautiyal* 5502, 145 m; wild in dry exposed habitat.

The taxon is distinguished by its shrubby habit and large, pendulous, white, sweet scented, flowers.

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